Comparing The Gilded Age to Today

Topic: Growth of Industry

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Urbanization

- Same: People are moving into cities

Tariff Policies

- Same: Tax on imported goods from other countries (protectionism).

Tax Breaks

- Same: breaks given to certain industries.

Communication

- Gilded Age: Railroad, telegraph, etc.
- Today: Phone lines, internet, etc.

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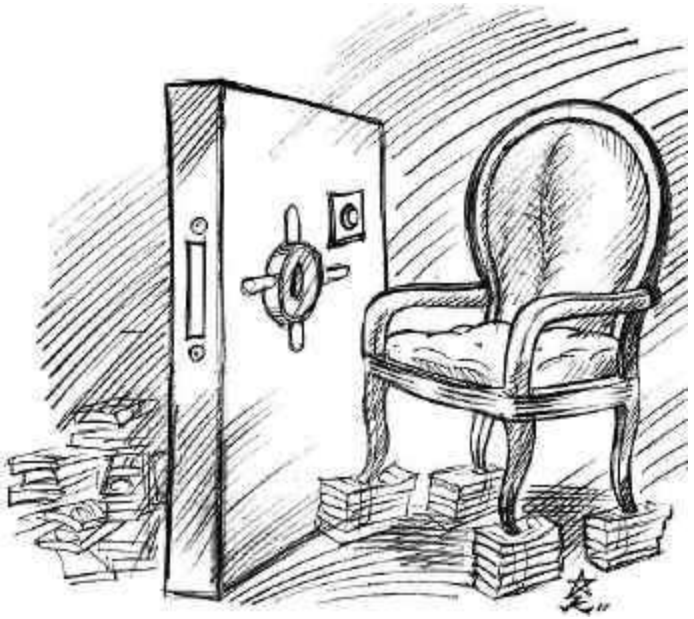
Industrial Technology

- Same: American leader in applied technology.

Government Reforms

- Gilded Age: reforms in labor and working conditions.
- Today: reforms in finance.

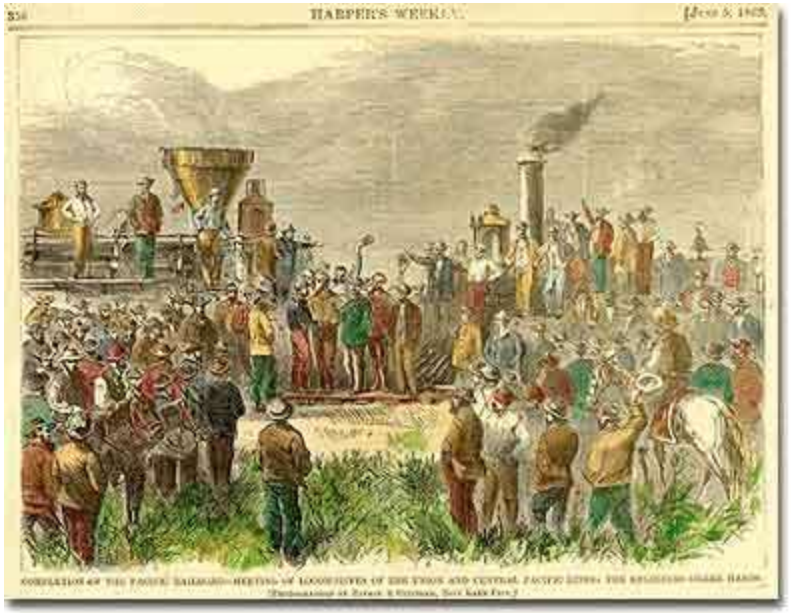


Corruption

- Gilded Age: railroad.
- Today: Wall Street.

Travel

- Gilded Age: Railroad System
- Today: Automobiles and Airplanes



Land

- Gilded Age: Urge to Westernize caused advancement in technology.
- Today: No more land; moved for foreign involvement.

The People

- Same: Labor Unions

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